GOVERNEMNT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - Mines & Geology - Sri K.Venkata Rao, the then Asst. Director of Mines and Geology(FAC), Eluru presently working as Asst. Director of Mines and Geology, Anakapalli - Departmental Proceedings under Rule- 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 -Articles of Charges -Orders Issued.

INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE (VIGILANCE) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 83 Dated: 26-03-2020
Read the following:

1. Vigilance Report No.50 (213/V&E/NRI/2006), dt. 05-05-2006.
2. Govt. Memo No.8420/Vig/Al/2006-2, dated. 30-08-2006.
3. From DMG, Letter No.20892/E1/2007 Dt.11.11.2019.
4. G.O Rt. No.82, Ind. & Com(Vig) Dept., Dt: 26.03.2020.

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ORDER:

In continuation of the orders issued under Rule 24 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services(Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules 1991 in the reference 4th read above, it is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri K.Venkata Rao, the then Asst. Director of Mines and Geology(FAC), Eluru presently working as Asst. Director of Mines and Geology, Anakapalli in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of articles of charges and statement of imputations (Annexure-I & II). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure-III to IV).

3. Sri K.Venkata Rao, the then Asst. Director of Mines and Geology(FAC), Eluru is directed to submit his written statement of defense within 10 days from the date of receipt of this order and also to state whether he desires to be heard in person.

4. Sri K.Venkata Rao, the then Asst. Director of Mines and Geology(FAC), Eluru is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charges as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Sri K.Venkata Rao, the then Asst. Director of Mines and Geology(FAC), Eluru is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defense on or before the date specified in para 3 above further action will be taken based on the material available.

6. Attention of Sri K.Venkata Rao, the then Asst. Director of Mines and Geology(FAC), Eluru is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior

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authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings it will be presumed that Sri K.Venkata Rao, the then Asst. Director of Mines and Geology(FAC), Eluru is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule-24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of the G.O. may be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

K. RAMGOPAL
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (MINES)

To
Sri K.Venkata Rao, the then Asst. Director of Mines and Geology(FAC), Eluru presently working as Asst. Director of Mines and Geology , Anakapaili ,through Director of Mines and Geology, Ibrahimpatnam.
The Director of Mines and Geology, Ibrahimpatnam. (with request to serve & return served copy to Government)
SF/SC.

//FORWARDED:: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER

ANNEXURE-I

(To G.O Rt. No.83 Ind.&Com(Vig) Dept, Dt.26.03.2020)

Article of charges framed against Sri K.Venkata Rao, the then Asst. Director of Mines and Geology(FAC), Eluru presently working as Asst. Director of Mines and Geology , Anakapalli.

CHARGE NO. 1 :

That while he working as Asst. Director of Mines and Geology(FAC), Eluru the following irregularities have taken place during his tenure from 21.03.2005 to 04.07.2005.

That he while working as ADM&G(FAC), Eluru, the V&E Department reported that the Royalty Inspector, O/o. the ADM&G, Eluru inspected the quarry lease held by M/s. Sridevi Granites for Ballast, Road Metal and boulders over an extent of 1.000 Hect, in Sy.No.329/1 of Duddukuru Vg, Devarapalli M, W.G.Dist., on 10-01- 2005 and submitted report on 27-01-2005 informing that the lessee is not maintaining the boundary pillars and apparently encroached into the buffer zone towards Northern side. The Royalty Inspector requested the ADM&G, Eluru to depute Surveyor to verify the boundaries and detect encroachment if any. Sri K. Venkata Rao, assumed charge as ADM&G(FAC), Eluru on 21-03-2005 and on the same day instructed the Surveyor and Royalty Inspector to inspect the area and submit report. But, the Surveyor accompanied with A.G & R.I took up survey and inspection on 09.09.2005.

Thus, the delinquent officer did not take timely action and failed to perform his legitimate duties for immediate completion of inspection and survey of the area. The inaction of the delinquent officer leads to illegal quarrying and is held responsible for the same and violated Rule-3 of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT(MINES)

ANNEXURE-II

(To G.O Rt. No.83 Ind.&Com(Vig) Dept, Dt.26.03.2020)

Statement of imputations on Misconduct / Misbehavior in support to the charges framed against Sri K.Venkata Rao, the then Asst. Director of Mines and Geology(FAC), Eluru presently working as Asst. Director of Mines and Geology , Anakapalli

That, Sri K.Venkata Rao worked as ADM&G(FAC), Eluru and the following irregularities have been taken place during his tenure.

The V&E Department reported that the Royalty Inspector, O/o. the ADM&G, Eluru inspected the quarry lease held by M/s. Sridevi Granites for Ballast, Road Metal and boulders over an extent of 1.000 Hect, in Sy.No.329/1 of Duddukuru Vg, Devarapalli M, W.G.Dist., on 10-01-2005 and submitted report on 27-01-2005 informing that the lessee is not maintaining the boundary pillars and apparently encroached into the buffer zone towards Northern side. The Royalty Inspector requested the ADM&G, Eluru to depute Surveyor to verify the boundary and detect encroachment if any. The ADM&G (FAC), Eluru assumed charge on 21-03-2005 and instructed the Surveyor and Royalty Inspector to inspect the area and submit report.

The V&E Department reported that the V&E Officials along with officials of Mines and Geology and Revenue Department inspected the quarry leased area on 24-01-2006. The then Surveyor, O/o Asst. Director of Mines and Geology, Eluru surveyed the working quarried area and reported that the lessee extracted 2,691 Cum within the leased area and 12,676 Cum of Stone from outside the leased area in Sy.No.329/P and 313/P. At the time of inspection a lorry bearing No.AP5V-285 loaded with Stone was noticed in the illegally quarried area. The V&E Department has reported that the ADM&G (FAC), Eluru failed to initiate action to take up survey and inspection by his staff as directed by him and failed to take appropriate action against the lease holder and staff, who have not taken up the survey and inspection though the previous inspection report speaks possibility of encroachment.

That, Sri K.Venkata Rao the then ADM&G(FAC), Eluru totally failed to discharge his legitimate duties with due care and diligence resulting in adversely affecting the administration is thereby held responsible for the same and thus violated Rule-3 of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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ANNEXURE- III

(To G.O Rt. No.83 Ind.&Com(Vig) Dept, Dt.26.03.2020)

List of documents relied upon to substantiate charges framed against Sri K.Venkata Rao, the then Asst. Director of Mines and Geology(FAC), Eluru presently working as Asst. Director of Mines arad Geology, Anakapalli.

1) Vigilance Report No.50 (213/V&E./NRI/2006), dated. 05-05- 2006.
2) Govt. Memo No.8420/Vig/Al/2006-2, dated. 30-08-2006.

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ANNEXURE- IV

(To G.O Rt. No.83 Ind.&Com(Vig) Dept, Dt.26.03.2020)

List of witness to sustain the charges framed against Sri K.Venkata Rao, the then Asst. Director of Mines and Geology(FAC), Eluru presently working as Asst. Director *of* Mines and Geology, Anakapalli.

— NIL —

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